

## Message Text

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R 080358Z AUG 76  
FM AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI  
TO DA WASHDC  
INFO CDRDARCOM ALEX VA//DRSIL-WN/ME//  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L ABU DHABI 2144

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS MASS, TC  
SUBJECT : LOA FOR INDIVIDUAL LOAD BEARING EQUIPMENT

REF: DA WASHDC 031437Z AUG 76

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES PROMPT RESPONSE REFTEL TO UAE  
DEFENSE FORCE (UAEDF) CONFIRMATION OF WEBBING ORDER. WE  
LIKEWISE GRATEFUL FOR RECOGNITION PART TWO THAT TEL OF  
SPECIAL IMPORTANCE OF EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING OF THIS FIRST  
SALE.

2. IN LATTER CONNECTION, HOWEVER, WE ARE CONCERNED BY  
REFERENCE TO DELIVERY "NO LATER THAN NOV. 15 (PARA A4),  
IF THAT IS SIMPLY OUTSIDE LIMIT AND ODDS ARE STRONGLY IN  
FAVOR OF SUBSTANTIALLY EARLIER ARRIVAL, WELL AND GOOD.  
BUT ARRIVAL ON NOV. 15 WOULD BE CUTTING THINGS VERY FINE  
INDEED (PRACTICES FOR DEC.2 NATIONAL DAY PARADE  
FOR WHICH EQUIPMENT DESIRED START AT LEAST THAT FAR  
IN ADVANCE). AND UNFORTUNATELY FOR ALL OF US THERE  
IS TENDENCY TO PUT THINGS OFF SO LONG AS DUE DATE  
HAS NOT ARRIVED. IN SHORT WE HOPE THAT FINAL DEADLINE  
COULD BE MOVED UP, SAY TO OCTOBER 15. PLEASE ADVISE.

3. AS LESSER PROBLEM WE WONDER WHY IT WILL TAKE ONE  
MONTH TO PRODUCE LOA--AND THIS ONLY TO HAVE SAME IN  
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WASHINGTON WITH FURTHER TIME REQUIRED TO PASS IT TO

EMBASSY. SO LONG AS WE ARE SIMPLY TALKING  
ABOUT MEETING CONTRACTUAL NEEDS--SO LONG AS EQUIP-  
MENT ARRIVES IN TIMELY FASHION--WE BELIEVE THIS CAN  
BE EXPLAINED. BUT IF WE HAVE TO PRESENT COMBINATION  
OF FOUR-TO-SIX WEEKS TO PRODUCE CONTRACT FOR SIGNING  
PLUS THREE AND HALF MONTHS TO DELIVER ITEMS PRESUMABLY  
ON SHELF, UAEDF LIKELY TO FEEL WE BEING LESS THAN  
FULLY RESPONSIVE TO THEIR NEEDS.  
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